PUBLIC NOTICE

STATE OF WEST VIRGINA COUNTY OF GILMER, TO-WIT:

I, Larry B. Chapman, President of the County Commission of Gilmer County, West Virginia, in concurrence with John D. Bennett and Brian Kennedy Commissioners of said Commission, hereby call and appoint a Special Session of the County Commission of Gilmer County to be held at the courthouse in said County on Friday, October 13, 2017 at 9:00 AM, in the County Commission Chambers to transact the following business:

Canvass the October 7, 2017 Special Election Results

Given under my hand this 6th day of October 2017.

<u>Larry B. Chapman, President</u> Gilmer County Commission

Jean Butcher, Gilmer County Clerk

STATE OF WEST VIRGINIA,
COUNTY OF GILMER, TO-WIT:

At a Special Session of the County Commission of Gilmer County, West Virginia, held at the courthouse thereof on Friday, 13th day of October 2017.

PRESENT: Larry B. Chapman, President and John D. Bennett Commissioners thereof. Commissioner Brian Kennedy was absent.

A quorum being present, the meeting was called to order by President Larry B. Chapman at 9:00 a.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

Commissioner John D. Bennett entered a motion to set the fee for recount at \$300.00. Motion carried.

The Commission this day sitting as a Board of Canvassers proceeded to canvass the returns of the Special Election, which was held October 7, 2017, precinct by precinct this being the day set by law to canvass said returns.

After canvassing each precinct, Commission President Larry B. chapman randomly drew Precinct 5 as the precinct to hand count. Pursuant to the hand count there were no changes in the results.

There were Four (4) provisional ballots by the election officials and the board of canvassers made the decision concerning each ballot. The Board of Canvassers counted four (4) of the provisional ballots. Letters were sent to each person voting a provisional ballot to inform them of the status of their vote.

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Pursuant to West Virginia Code 304a-28, the County Commission sitting as a Board of Canvassers randomly drew 15% of 12 precincts to hand count for the canvass. Precinct 5 was hand counted and the variance was zero vote. The code allows a variance of 1% difference with hand count. The total votes for Precinct 5 were 59, which allowed for 1% variance of .59 votes and the hand count had a variance of zero.

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There being a total of 565 ballots cast at the October 7, 2017, Special Election with a total of zero provisional ballots **not** counted, the total number of ballots counted was 565 being a 12% turnout for the October 7, 2017, Special Election.

A motion was entered by Commissioner John D. Bennett, that the results of the October 7, 2017, Special Election as determined by the Board of Canvassers, be publicly declared October 13, 2017 at 9:45 a.m. Motion carried.

The results of the October 7, 2017, Special Election were so declared by the Board of Canvassers.

The Board of Canvasser will meet attentively on Wednesday, October 18, 2017 to certify the returns of the October 7, 2017 Special Election as official.

The results of the election for the 2017 Special Election were filed with Secretary of State as required by law.

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The Commission having completed the business of the present term, a motion for adjournment was entered by Commission President Larry B. Chapman at 9:45 a.m. Motion carried.

Ordered that the Commission does now adjourn and to meet again in Regular Session on October 20, 2017.

Jany B. Chapman, President